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**IMPRESSING SUPPLIES.**

Governor of Cape Colony Announces That Troops May Take and Pay for What is Required.

Capetown, Feb. 28.—The Governor of Cape Colony, Sir Alfred Milner, has further postponed the Cape parliament to April 6.

He has also issued a proclamation announcing that the military authorities are authorized to impress wagons, horses, oxen, provisions and other necessities in the southern colonies, the articles thus taken to be paid for at a fair value. This is taken to mean that Col. Plumer's column advancing to the relief of Mafeking will be enabled to seize supplies.

**PLEEING FROM TRANSVAAL.**

Officials Seek Refuge in Holland and Foreigners Also Moving.

London, Feb. 28.—The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Tuesday, says: "Many foreigners are leaving the Transvaal and numerous government officials have started for Holland."

Mr. A. Hay, United States consul in Pretoria is earning the respect of both Boers and Uitlanders, and proving himself tactful and assiduous."

**THE AFRIKANDERS' ATTITUDE.**

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Capetown, Feb. 28.—The Afrikaner Bond congress has been postponed. The explanation given is that owing to the enforcement of martial law in several districts the members might possibly be unable to attend.

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**EMPERORS FELICITATIONS.**

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**NOTES FROM THE CAPITAL.**

Mr. McInnes Not Coming West—Demanded for Canadian Flour—No News From Paardeberg.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—Evidently W. W. B. McInnes is not in any deal with Mr. Martin, as reported. He is still here, but absolutely refused to-night to discuss the political situation further than to say that he has no intention of going west at present, and does not see any reason why he should leave Ottawa before the end of the session.

Mr. Tarte leaves for Paris March 13. The militia department is still awaiting details of Tuesday's fight at Paardeberg, and cannot answer a number of inquiries pouring in.

Aulay Morrison, M.P., has been down with la grippe for several days.

The department of agriculture is asked to send samples of Canadian flour to Parliament observed Ash Wednesday as a holiday.

**Buller Gains Boer Position**

**Pieters Hill Taken With Many Prisoners and the Enemy Scattered.**

**Another Crossing of the Tugela Found and Troops Given More Shelter.**

By Associated Press.

London, Feb. 28.—The war office has received the following despatch from Gen. Buller:

"Headquarters, Hlandwana, Feb. 28.—Finding that the passage of Klange-wacht's Spruit was covered by strong entrenchments, I reconnoitred for another passage of the Tugela. One was found for me below the entrenchment by Col. Sandbach, Royal Engineers, on February 25. We commenced making an approach thereto and on February 26, finding that I could make the passage practicable, I crossed the guns and baggage train to the south side of the Tugela, took up the pontoon bridge on Monday night and re-aid it at the new site, which is just below the point marked caetact."

"During all this time the troops had been scattered, crouching under hastily constructed small stone shelters and exposed to galling shell and rifle fire, and throughout they maintained the most excellent spirits."

"On Tuesday Gen. Barton, with two battalions of the 6th Brigade, and the Dublin Fusiliers, crept about a mile and a half down the banks of the river, and ascending a most precipitous cliff of about 500 feet, assaulted and carried the top of Pieters Hill. This hill to a certain extent turned the enemy's left and the Fourth brigade, under Col. Northcote, and the Eleventh, under Col. Kitchener, the whole under the command of Gen. Warren, assailed the enemy's position, which was magnificently carried by the South Lancashire regiment about sunset. We took 60 prisoners and scattered the enemy in all directions. There seems to be still a considerable body of them left on and around Hlandwana mountains."

"Our losses, I hope, are not large. They certainly are much less than they would have been were it not for the admirable manner in which the artillery was served, and especially the guns manned by the Royal Naval force and the Natal naval volunteers."

Colenso, Feb. 26.—Yesterday an armistice was agreed upon and both sides removed their wounded and buried their dead. The Boers lost heavily in attacking and many were killed among the trees. Severe musketry fire was resumed last evening. It was started by the accidental discharge of a rifle. It is reported that there are four hundred Boers near Emersdal.

**JOY AT THE CAPE.**

Extravagant Demonstrations Over Near Approach of Free State Army.

Capetown, Feb. 28.—There has been extravagant rejoicing in Cape Colony over the surrender of Gen. Cronje. Crowds of people have been parading the streets of the different towns singing and cheering. Flags have been everywhere displayed. The warships and merchant marine have been dressed with bunting and salutes have been fired.

At Durban, Natal, the Stars and Stripes have been flying alongside the Union Jack over the town hall.

**IRISH BOER NOT ELECTED.**

South Mayo Polls an Insignificant Vote For the Traitor Candidate.

London, Feb. 28.—The result of the election, which took place in South Mayo yesterday for a representative in parliament in succession to Mr. Michael Davitt, who resigned as a protest against the Boer war, was as follows: Mr. John O'Donnell, Nationalist, 2,411; Major John McBride, Nationalist, 427. Major McBride was the organizer of the Irish brigade in the service of the Transvaal Boers. At the last election in South Mayo Mr. Davitt was returned unopposed.

Women with pale, colorless faces, who feel weak and discouraged, will receive both mental and bodily vigor by using Carter's Iron Pills, which are made for the blood, nerves and complexion.

**Cronje to The Cape**

**Free State Commander and His Army Now on Their Way.**

**Further Details of the Meeting of Opposing Generals After Surrender.**

**Robert's Visits Boer Laager and Praises Style of Its Defence Works.**

Paardeberg, Tuesday, Feb. 27.—(3 a.m.)—The British camp was awakened by the continuous rattle or rifle fire at daybreak and the news arrived that the Canadians, while building a trench quite close to the enemy, had been fustigated at a range of fifty yards. The Canadians gallantly worked forward and occupied the edge of the trenches along the river, entirely enfilading the Boers.

This movement was followed by a cessation of the fire except for an occasional shot. Suddenly a regiment stationed on the crest of a hill perceived a white flag and burst into cheers, thus announcing the surrender of Gen. Cronje. Shortly afterwards a note reached Lord Roberts bringing tidings of the Boers' unconditional surrender. Gen. Prettymann was sent to accept the surrender.

At about 7 o'clock a small group of men appeared in the distance crossing the plain towards headquarters. Being apprised of General Cronje's approach Lord Roberts went to the front in the modest cart in which he steps, and ordered a guard of Seaforth's to line up. A group of horsemen then approached. On Gen. Prettymann's right rode an elderly man clad in a rough short overcoat, a wide brimmed hat, ordinary tweed trousers and brown shoes. It was the redoubtable Cronje. His face was burned almost black and his curly beard was tinged with grey. Cronje's face was absolutely impassive, exhibiting no sign of his inner feelings.

Lord Roberts, who had walked to and fro in front of his cart while he waited, was surrounded by his staff. Gen. Prettymann, addressing the Field Marshal, said, "Commandant Cronje, Sir." The Commandant touched his hat in salute and Lord Roberts saluted in return. The whole group then dismounted and Lord Roberts stepped forward and shook hands with the Boer commander.

"You made a gallant defence, Sir," was the first salutation of Lord Roberts to the vanquished Boer leader. He then saluted Cronje to a seat in a chair which had been brought for his accommodation, and the two commanders conversed through an interpreter. Gen. Cronje afterwards breakfasted with the British officers.

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"Paardeberg, Feb. 28.—Cronje, with his family, left here yesterday in charge of Major Gen. Prettymann and under the escort of the City Imperial Volunteers and Mounted Infantry. Later in the day the remaining prisoners went in charge of the Earl of Erroll and escorted by the Gloucesters and a hundred Imperial Volunteers to their homes."

"I understand that great dissatisfaction was felt by the Boers at Cronje's refusal to accept my offer of safe conduct to the women and children and medical care for the wounded, 170 of whom are now in our hospital. Very many of them are in a terrible plight for want of care at an earlier stage."

"I inspected the Boers' laager yesterday, and was much struck by the ingenuity and energy with which the position was made almost impregnable to assault."

**REJOICINGS IN CANADA.**

How the Citizens of Ontario and Quebec Received the News of Cronje's Collapse.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—(Special)—The news of the surrender of Cronje was received with great satisfaction here. The morning papers had appeared without a word of the great event, but extras were not out during the forenoon. Most of the public and office buildings hoisted flags, and there were demonstrations on the exchanges.

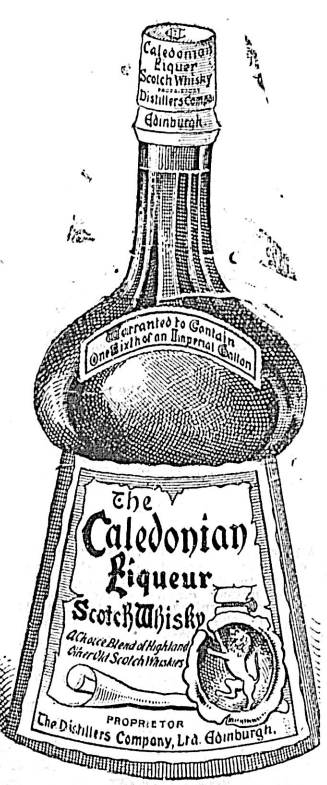
Toronto, Feb. 27.—The news of Cronje's surrender caused the greatest enthusiasm in the city this evening and despatches from all over the province show that the feeling was equally keen there.

In many smaller villages bells were rung, decorations put up and the schools given a holiday. When the news came of the gallant part the Canadians had taken in the actual finish of Cronje the enthusiasm was keenest, although it was checked by the statement of losses. Only one Toronto man appeared to be included in the list of the killed, F. C. Page, formerly of the Governor-General's Body Guard. He was a big fellow, but was refused permission to join the regiment at first on account of his size, but was then admitted because he was a crack shot. He was an Englishman by birth and was in the North-west with the Grenadiers in 1885. He served in the Spanish-American war with the 6th Regiment of the United States. His father and grandfather were soldiers in the British army.

**THE SECOND CONTINGENT.**

Another Division Receive a Hearty Welcome at Capetown.

Capetown, Feb. 27.—The Canadian troops who arrived on the Allan line steamer Pomeranian were welcomed by Major Honbury Williams, military secretary to Sir Alfred Milner.



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Hear Miss Inez Ceruzzi at Drill Hall concert, Saturday night.

## Ladysmith Relieved.

London, March 1.—The War Office officially announces that Ladysmith has been relieved.

(If a story can be procured supplementary to the above bulletin it will appear in an extra edition.)

### VANCOUVER NEWS NOTES.

A Bride From Victoria—Handsomely Received in Police Court—A Message to Roberts.

Vancouver, Feb. 28.—Miss Catharine Logan, of Victoria, and Mr. W. A. Pound, of Vancouver, were married here to-day by Rev. Mr. Bainton. Miss E. Pound was bridesmaid. The groom is an expert linotype operator and is employed by the Vancouver Press.

A young man named Harry Fink was arrested yesterday for issuing obscene advertisements. He put up \$500 cash bail and felt so cheap at the expense that he to-day forfeited the bail and skipped town. This makes about \$3,000 in the last few days received by the city in forfeited bails and gambling fines.

Worrying over the longshoremen's strike is said to be the cause of W. Colbis becoming mentally deranged. Colbis had an idea that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company were in collusion with some one else to starve him to death. He ran amuck on the C.P.R. and had to be overpowered by a squad of police.

Wylie, the man who was stabbed yesterday, still refuses to give the name of his assailant. He is reported in a very precarious condition.

Mayor Gordon yesterday cabled the following message to Lord Roberts in the name of the people of Vancouver: "We grieve over the loss, but prize the glorious victory."

### THE QUEEN AND HER TROOPS.

Messages of Gracious Sympathy and Encouragement Acknowledged.

London, Feb. 28.—In her despatch to Lord Roberts following the announcement of the surrender of General Cronje, Her Majesty said: "I am glad to accept for yourself and for all under your command my warmest congratulations on this splendid news."

Lord Roberts replied as follows: "All under my command are deeply grateful for your Majesty's most gracious message. Congratulations from their Queen are an honor the soldiers deeply prize."

General Buller has wired his thanks to the Queen for her telegram of "gracious sympathy and encouragement."

### DEWEY'S BEAUTIFUL WORDS.

So Move the Senate Galleries as to Call for Admission From the Chair.

Washington, Feb. 27.—Mr. Dewey, of New York, addressed the senate to-day on the Philippine question. His oration was beautiful in thought and diction. He strongly upheld the policy of the administration in respect to the picture of moving hand in hand for the happiness and uplifting of the people of the Philippines as well as those of this country that the galleries were swept by a storm of applause. The demonstration produced an admission from the chair.

After Mr. Turley had concluded his speech on the Quay case the Hawaiian government bill was again taken up, but little progress was made. An agreement was reached that the bill vote should be taken on the measure tomorrow.

### A NEW JERSEY FIRE.

Newark Reports Loss of Over a Million in Worst Visitation in Its History.

New York, Feb. 28.—The greatest fire in the town's history happened in Newark, N. J., this afternoon and tonight, destroying a score of buildings or more. The loss is over \$1,000,000. Several lives may have been lost, as several persons are missing, while many were badly burned.

The fire started in W. V. Snyder's department store at Broad and Cedar streets, a four-story building of 75 feet frontage and 200 feet along Cedar street. The stock was valued at half a million dollars and nothing was saved. The building was burned to the ground.

### DUFFERIN'S TRIBUTE.

Former Governor-General on Services of the Canadians in South Africa.

London, Feb. 27.—At a meeting to-day of the British Association of Comparative, referred to the surrender of Gen. Cronje, and said he could not refrain from offering his tribute of admiration for the spirit of loyal devotion which had induced that great country, Canada, to despatch across the Atlantic that noble battalion of gallant soldiers who were risking lives and shedding blood, as some had already done, in the cause of their Queen and in defence of the integrity of their common Empire.

### CHICAGO STORM BOUND.

All Trains Blocked by Snow and Not a Steamer Moving.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Reports received at the various railroad offices in this city show that the storm continues with unabated fury throughout the west and south. The snow in many places in Illinois is reported from one to three feet deep on the level and has compelled the abandonment of many local freight trains. Passenger trains have been "double-headed" and are moving, though in most cases behind time. High winds accompanying the storm have completely blocked the harbor of Chicago, and not a steamer has attempted to leave here to-day.

### BATTLESHIP STRANDED.

German Loses a Great Gun in Removing It to Help in Floating.

Berlin, Feb. 28.—The German battleship Sachsen is reported to have stranded near Kiel lighthouse during a fog. In an attempt to lighten the vessel by removing some of her guns, one of them was lost. The battleship Wurttemberg and the coast defence ironclad Aguirre are endeavoring to get the Sachsen afloat, but hitherto little has been accomplished.

### FROM SICKBED TO SENATE.

Contest Over Porto Rican Tariff Produces a Remarkable Scene.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Notwithstanding the agreement made by the senate to vote on the Hawaiian government bill at today's session, the final vote on the measure was postponed until 4 o'clock to-morrow.

The battle royal over the Porto Rican tariff bill ended in the house to-day in a sweeping victory for the Republicans. The bill, amended as to the tariff on the conference of Republicans on Monday night, so as to reduce the tariff from 25 to 15 per cent. of the American tariff, and limiting its life to two years, was passed by a vote of 172 yeas to 161 nays. Republican office had been made to get out the full vote and to lead to some remarkable incidents. Six men were brought from beds of sickness, two of them from hospitals. Mr. Brownlow, of Tennessee was brought in a carriage accompanied by his wife and physician. He sat hunched up near the entrance until his vote was given and then withdrew.

### LOSS OF THE WAR.

Thirteen Thousand the Huge Total of British Killed, Wounded and Missing.

London, Feb. 28.—The rapidly growing casualty lists are being classified as quickly as possible. They show that up to this morning the total number of casualties was 12,834, of which 2,319 were added during the last fortnight.

Ten of the eleven Scotch regiments lost about 2,050 men, and eight of the Irish regiments lost 1,000. Then come the Gloucesters and Northumberland; while of nearly 2,000 colonials the Royal Canadian lost 121, and the Victoria mounted contingent 26.

The casualties are classified thus: Killed, 1,963; wounded, 6,838; missing, 3,173; disease, 820.

### MURDERED BY OFFICER.

Strange Story of the Death of War Corp. respondent at Mafeking.

London, Feb. 28.—Mr. Parslo, the correspondent of the Daily Chronicle at Mafeking, who had previously been reported accidentally shot and killed on November 2, was, it appears from the diary of the Morning Post correspondent and from a letter, murdered by a Lieut. Col. Hughes, a British officer, reported to be a man of fine personal ability. It seems Mr. Parslo and Mr. Murchison had dined together and when they were strolling across the square, Murchison was seen to draw a revolver and kill his companion. An inquest was held and the finding of wilful murder was returned. Lieut. Murchison will be tried by court martial.

### ORANGE AND GREEN.

Faction Fight in Belfast Following Rumor of Relief of Ladysmith.

Belfast, Feb. 28.—A rumor that Ladysmith had been relieved led to street demonstrations in Belfast to-day which precipitated conflicts between the Orangemen and Nationalists. There was considerable stone-throwing and many persons were injured and some property damaged.

### FOR GRAND LARCENY.

Fugitive Traced to Montreal by His Sureties and Brought Back to New York.

New York, Feb. 28.—Arthur J. Snow arrived in New York from Montreal to-day in custody of Detective Razer. He is wanted on a charge of grand larceny from the Wells Fargo Express Co. The National Surety Co., which bonded Snow, traced him to Canada and secured his extradition. His confederate, Henry S. Keller, was prosecuted by the National Surety Co. and was sentenced to six years' imprisonment on December 28 last.

### NEWFOUNDLAND'S INTEREST.

While British are Settling International Problems French Shore Rights Might Be Included.

St. John's, Nfld., Feb. 27.—The colonial maritime fund, which forwarded \$15,000 to-day to the London imperial fund as the first instalment of Newfoundland's subscription. The news of the capture of Gen. Cronje was received with delight. Newfoundland, long suffering under the inconvenience of the French fishing right, is especially glad that the Dutch problem is being solved in South Africa.

### FIVE CENTS AN HOUR.

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Feb. 27.—The first important strike among Puerto Rican laborers began yesterday, when 500 men, who had been constructing a military road from Ponce to Adjuntas, marched into the latter town, waving flags, and carrying banners with the inscription: "We workmen demand five cents an hour."

### MURDERED HIS MISTRESS.

New York, Feb. 27.—The Westchester county grand jury at White Plains to-day handed down an indictment for murder in the first degree against Alfred Morrison, of Mount Vernon, who shot and killed the woman generally known as his wife.

### THE STURDY COLONIALS.

London, Feb. 27.—Mr. Wm. St. John Brodie, under secretary of state for foreign affairs, while addressing the volunteers of Guildford this evening referred to "the gratifying turn of the tide in South Africa," and paid the highest tribute to the services of the colonial forces.

### EIGHT-HOUR BILL REJECTED.

Imperial Parliament Declines Thus to Restrict Miners' Working Time.

London, Feb. 28.—The House of Commons to-day by a vote of 199 to 175 rejected the second reading of a private member's bill limiting the time of labor underground miners to eight hours daily.

### TREE FELL ON HIM.

Midletown, N.Y., Feb. 28.—The body of John Rackett, jr., was found to-day near Westford, lying across a stone wall with a tree upon his back. An axe was grasped in one hand, Rackett has apparently felled the tree which killed him.

### A ROYAL HOLIDAY.

Berlin, Feb. 28.—Prince Henry of Prussia has been granted leave of absence for six months to recruit his health after his experience in Asiatic waters.

### Three Star Martell can be obtained from all dealers.

### GEN. HUTTON'S RESIGNATION.

Unavoidable Position of Ministers Made Apparent by Review of Facts.

From the Canadian Military Gazette.

In the interest of the militia, as well as of the general public, the departure of Major-General Hutton from Canada calls for a searching examination into all the circumstances connected with his resignation. Was his decision to accept service in South Africa actuated by purely personal motives? Is it possible that he considered his labors here, in putting the force on a satisfactory footing, and in helping to organize the contingents sent to the seat of war, of less consequence in promoting the cause of Imperial defence than his personal participation in the campaign? Those who have watched Major-General Hutton's course here will, at least, be inclined to think that he sacrificed a present duty to his own future promotion, and will feel convinced that only the strongest possible reasons could have induced him to leave Canada at this juncture.

Now, what were these reasons? On Major-General, in slight address, no doubt, was guarded in his expressions, as befits one in his position. In parliament, these authorized to speak for the government have been careful to tell us nothing. But doubts and suspicions are not easily set at rest, and there exists a desire to get to the bottom of the matter. It is believed that the resignation of Major-General Hutton was not due to the Hughes episode. True, the General was vehemently attacked on that score, although it is believed that the resignation was submitted to the cabinet with the assurance that an appointment would be given Lieut. Col. Hughes if the cabinet assumed the responsibility of recommending him. The cabinet, apparently, refrained from recommending Lieut. Col. Hughes, and a general officer should bear the onus. So, too, in connection with the appointments to the Strathcona Horse, it is believed that efforts were made to select persons on the ground of party service and influence, and that the Major-General, in his efforts, in opposition to the wishes of Lord Strathcona's representatives in Canada that only competent men should be sent. It is stated that Major-General Hutton was warned by a friend of the militia, who enjoys the confidence of the Emperor, that if he did not resign, he would be removed from the post of General Officer Commanding who has no leading to either party, who considers only the interests of the force, who contends that merit, and not "pull," should determine promotion, is, of course, a standing menace to the wirepullers and managers who manipulate the militia, as far as possible, to serve selfish ends.

But above and beyond this intolerable condition of affairs, as it is termed, the departure of Major-General Hutton, the government were resolved to oust him for his share in making a Canadian contingent to South Africa an accomplished fact. On this point, perhaps the most vital of the whole, the government were obliged to make a hasty and ignominious surrender. The Prime Minister publicly attacked the Canadian Military Gazette and declared a contingent a constitutional impossibility. An incompetent general would stand equal to the demand. The constitutional difficulty which Sir Wilfrid Laurier encountered, still stood in the way. But this, too, was brushed aside with almost ludicrous haste. The first contingent was got ready, and Major-General Hutton, who was far away in British Columbia at this juncture, was summoned to headquarter the militia, and to become a leading factor in the rapid equipment and despatch of a creditable force. It was made abundantly clear that to popular enthusiasm, and not to the government, was due the policy which has shed lustre upon Canada, and given here an example of the efficiency of the Mother Country. Now, we have the last act in the drama. An able and energetic Major-General is harassed and practically driven away, in other words, the interests of the militia force are sacrificed to political resentment. The militia must, to feel once more that it is at the absolute mercy of the politicians. We know something of the feeling that exists among leading officers.

This, then, is the end of the reasonable hopes of an improved condition of things. In spite of the warnings furnished by the grievous errors of the Conservative government; in spite of the promises of a better policy which the present Minister of Militia has loyally kept as far as any individual member of a party cabinet can carry his colleagues with him; in spite of the hopes excited by the beginnings of a thorough reorganization initiated under Major-General Hutton, we find that the militia is once more the football of partisan spirit, and militia officers are given no chance that subservience and cringing are the only qualities rewarded by the politicians. To this impudent challenge the militia will give its answer in the proper time and in the right way.

### BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The surgeon-general of the marine hospital service received information to-day that the bubonic plague exists and has existed probably for several weeks in the island of Cozumel, off the east coast of Yucatan, Mexico.

### Lucky Numbers.

The ten lucky number in Morris' monthly cash drawing, each winning \$5, were as follows: 28201, 31682, 28684, 28122, 28797, 31365, 34623, 26012, 28087, 34066.

### BORN.

HUMBER—In this city, on February 28, the wife of Dr. A. A. Humber, George Road, of a daughter.

TITE—In this city, on the 27th ult., the wife of Geo. D. Tite, of a son.

WOODWARD—On the 24th ult., the wife of H. Woodward, Esq., Cedar Grove Farm, Alberni, of a son.

### MARRIED.

JOHNSON—McNees—On the 22nd February, at the residence of the bride's father, by the Rev. Father Peytman, Agnes, youngest daughter of A. D. McNees, J. P., Alexandria, Cariboo, B.C., to Albert, youngest son of John Johnson, Esq., of Kansas City, Mo.

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THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

At the present writing it is impossible to form anything like an accurate idea of what the outcome of the existing political situation will be, but of one thing we are persuaded, and that is that the people of British Columbia will not tolerate for an instant any government which does not present for their endorsement a sober, conservative and yet progressive policy. The Colonist has labored hard to secure such a policy with what success remains to be seen. To say that conditions in this province are acute is to express the case feebly. There is deep anxiety in every section to know what to expect and the sooner the advisers of the Lieutenant-Governor place before the voters an outline of the policy which they propose to follow the better for every material interest of the province.

What British Columbia needs is a policy in keeping with its matchless resources, its unrivalled possibilities. The subject may be a hackneyed one, but it will bear frequent reference, for in the turmoil of political strife this, which should be the all-pervading influence in our politics, is completely lost sight of. We have a session of nearly two months' duration and we have not had the slightest indication of plans on the part of the administration which seemed to recognize the great future which awaits the magic touch of enlightened statesmanship. Not only is this true, but in all the long days of profitless discussion no man has arisen in his place in the house to plead that the legislature should get above the miserable rut of personal politics and deal with the great questions that come home to everyone having an interest in British Columbia. One would think, to judge by what has transpired in the house since January 4, that all the people of this province were concerned in it whether one set of men or another shall occupy the treasury benches. Not a man among those lately holding seats there ventured to assert that his presence there was any guarantee that the affairs of the province would be shaped in accordance with the hopes and ardent desires of every true British Columbian. Not a man on the left of the Speaker seemed to feel called upon to urge that there should be a change of government in order that a policy framed on broader lines should be adopted and crystallized into legislation. Throughout the province there has been a profound feeling of dissatisfaction at this. It has found expression in the press, in the lobbies of the house and in hotel corridors. On the streets men have met and asked each other how soon an end was going to be put to party and personal bickering and something was going to be attempted which would give some promise of meeting the pressing demands of the business and industrial situation.

British Columbia is, as Emerson said of America, another name for opportunity, not an opportunity for some one to get some one else out of office and get himself in, but of an opportunity where capital, skill and labor can be applied to the raw materials so abundantly lavished upon it by bountiful nature, and wealth be created, bringing in its train general prosperity. What has been done in the present legislature to lead anyone to believe that the men at the head of affairs or anyone else in the legislature appreciated this? We do not wish to be understood as saying that none of the members of the house grasped the supreme importance of dealing with the broad subjects above indicated, but only that in party strife they were wholly lost sight of. No one struck a key note of a stronger and truer policy. The responsibility for this neglect lies primarily upon the shoulders of the late ministry, which will go down to history as one that brought forth nothing but confusion and devised nothing but mischief. Nevertheless we must confess to a distinct disappointment that no member of the opposition took occasion to declare for higher politics, for stronger politics, for something which would voice the sentiments of the great majority of the people.

Whatever the next day or two may bring forth we trust that the dawn of better days is not far distant, of days when something else will be prominent in the deliberations of our public men that the petty issues between individuals and parties. The Colonist proposes to deal with the affairs of this province untrammelled by anything in the past, unmindful of anything in the future except the welfare of all the people. Present conditions cannot be allowed to continue, for if they do, our splendid province will receive a set-back from which it cannot recover in years. A continuance of the maladministration of the past eighteen months, a prolongation of the feeling of unrest now existing, would be worse for

the province than a war, except in the matter of loss of life and personal suffering. A war would be followed by rapid business expansion; but such conditions as now prevail here would result only in a prolonged period of deep depression. The loss of confidence that is rapidly being begotten cannot be removed in a long time, unless there is a radical new departure at the earliest possible moment.

We plead for a more statesmanlike policy for British Columbia. We plead for the development of its vast resources, for a policy which will take cognizance of future possibilities and go fearlessly forward on lines in keeping with the magnificent future to be achieved. This is the greatest province of Canada potentially; it is one of the most promising portions of our vast Empire. Shall the welfare of its people, of those who have lived here in oft-deferred hope, of those who came here in the faith that they could safely invest their money or expend their skill, energy and labor with some prospect of permanent success, be sacrificed for the lack of some one with courage enough, with firmness of purpose enough and with statesmanlike qualities enough to strike out on new lines? This is what the people are asking themselves. This is the question to which they will have an answer. We speak of these matters now, while the political situation is unsettled, because we wish, if possible, to aid in giving the right direction to the policy which will prevail in the future.

Since the above article was in type Hon. Joseph Martin made a statement of the policy which he intends to follow as Premier; and this article must not be construed as being any endorsement or confirmation of the policy as announced, which will necessarily form a subject for future discussion.

YESTERDAY'S TALK.

Yesterday's talk in the house was about as irregular as anything could be, and we should not care to subscribe to the majority of expressions of opinion made by honorable members. Nevertheless the discussion was not in itself objectionable. The house might very well have accepted Mr. Martin's statement as to his being called in to form a new ministry and at once adjourned, but the members did not see fit to do so and there was a very free interchange of ideas regarding the course taken by the Lieutenant-Governor. Our only regret in this connection is that some member did not take occasion to deal at some length with the constitutional practice involved in such matters, not with the object of censuring anyone, but simply that the most might be made of the opportunity afforded to get before the house and the people correct ideas upon this important matter. There is no fixed rule as to what shall be done in cases where the government is dismissed or resigns during a session. Each case must be governed by its own circumstances. What is a reasonable time in which announcement of the new ministry shall be made always depends upon these circumstances, and in regard to them there may very easily be the widest differences of opinion. Where such differences exist it is right that expression should be given to them, because the absence of protest, in the case of any delay, may be construed into a precedent to govern future cases.

Without expressing any opinion as to whether the delay in the present case has been unreasonable, we may state succinctly the precedent that has been established. On Friday the government was defeated and the Lieutenant-Governor gave the then Premier until the following Monday night to decide what course he would take. At the expiration of the time limited, the Premier waited upon the Lieutenant-Governor and informed him that he had made arrangements which would enable him to carry on the business of the house. His Honor declined to permit him to continue in office and on Tuesday morning called for his resignation. The house met on Tuesday afternoon, but no one was able to make any ministerial announcement and after passing a vote declaring that the dismissed government was in efficient control, which motion was carried on a division, adjourned until Wednesday. On Wednesday Mr. Joseph Martin informed the house that he had been requested and had undertaken to form a ministry, but had not yet had sufficient time to do so; but the majority of the members claimed that he ought to have been prepared to make a more definite announcement, and great indignation was expressed on both sides that the Lieutenant-Governor had not communicated to the house the names of the new ministry. Several members declared that His Honor had treated the house discourteously and a resolution was moved asking the Governor-General to remove him, but it was finally withdrawn as being out of order.

This is the precedent established yesterday, and it may be of great value, for it shows that the house is extremely jealous of its rights. This alertness to see that its rights are not in any way curtailed meets with the heartiest approval of this paper, although we do not wish to be understood as saying that those rights were curtailed. We are particularly gratified at this alertness, because we have, during the last year and a half, contended over and over again that a disposition existed on the part of members of the house to sleep upon their rights. One of the

greatest objections which the Colonist had to the late administration was because of the manner in which it disregarded the constitutional rights of the legislature. We are glad to see that something has occurred to show the house and the country how important it is that all the safeguards of the constitution should be maintained sacredly by the representatives of the people. Let us hope that this is a beginning of better things. Let us hope that hereafter no ministry will dare come down to the house and threaten it with a dissolution in order to influence a vote. Let us hope that never again will the opinions of the Lieutenant-Governor on a matter of pending legislation be laid upon the tables of the house. Let us hope that never again will a member sit in his place in the house with prosecutions for penalties hanging over his head. Let us hope that never again will a ministry take office without formally accepting and justifying the reasons for the dismissal of its predecessor. Let us hope that never again will a Speaker of the house attend party caucuses. Let us hope that in all things future British Columbia legislatures will be as jealous of their rights as the present house showed itself to be yesterday. As a newspaper which stands out for the preservation of parliamentary, responsible government in its utmost integrity, the Colonist, while not wishing to be considered as taking any side whatever in the discussion of yesterday, congratulates the province upon the fact that for the first time in two years the majority of the legislature of British Columbia has shown itself alive to what is its due.

THAT HAZELTON CASE.

Yesterday we printed a statement of an occurrence at Hazelton, where a man had been imprisoned in default of payment of a fine for violation of the Indian Act, and afterwards released after a demand made by a justice of the peace and some others. We printed the letter because it was vouched for by a responsible person, and investigation shows that the salient facts in it were correct. At the same time we think it advisable to point out that great harm may come from the interference by any one with officers in the discharge of their duties. The Indian agent at Hazelton possesses the powers of two justices of the peace, and if he makes a mistake the appeal from his decision is not to some other justice of the peace, but to the higher courts. We do not say that the Indian agent made any mistake in this instance, and have no desire to enter into the merits of the case at all. Our point is that his authority is beyond question in such matters as that referred to, and his exercise of it can only be rescinded in the regular way prescribed by law.

We want to make public recognition of the very dignified position taken by Mr. Macpherson in the house yesterday. It evoked many strong expressions of approval.

The Victoria-Chilliwack ferry struck a large snag yesterday and will have to be laid up indefinitely for repairs. We do not understand the vote as indicating that the people of Victoria are averse to a connection by railway ferry with the Mainland or are unwilling to contribute towards such an enterprise, but only that they did not think the by-law a good proposition from a business point of view.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH.

Some of the Leading Points in His Address of February 5, in the Imperial Parliament.

"The supremacy of the Boers means the inferiority of every other race. Our supremacy is used to secure equality for the white races and justice for the blacks. That was the issue to be tried and the battle to be fought."

"The attitude of the country has been admirable, and has extorted the approval even of the most hostile writers."

"The vital difference between Boer and Briton did not begin at Majuba, but it was intensified by the policy of Majuba."

"What when we have won success? For the government I say that so far as in lies there shall be no second Majuba."

"There is no sacrifice which the nation is not willing to make, and there is no sacrifice which we will not ask for if we think it necessary."

"The Boer policy and the Boer aspirations from first to last have been to get rid of every vestige of British supremacy, and to substitute Boer supremacy."


"We shall have before the war is over an army of colonials in South Africa which will outnumber the British army at Waterloo, and be nearly equal to the total British forces in the Crimea."

"I appreciate most heartily and sincerely the difficulties in which our loyal Dutch have found themselves. Their loyalty is more precious than ordinary loyalty, because of the strain upon them."

"We are looking out the weak spots in our army and trying to remedy them. We are finding out the potential resources of the Empire, and we are advancing steadily. If slowly, towards the realization of the federation of our race, which will inevitably make for peace, liberty and justice."

"One of the lessons of this war is the enormous defensive power possessed by irregular or volunteer troops when fighting in defence of their own country. That lesson, I hope, will be learned and advantage taken of the splendid material which is always at our disposal in this country, and which, with proper assistance, and with liberal support, may be made the most effective defensive force that world has ever seen."

"The splendid and, above all, the spontaneous rally of the colonies to the Mother Country affords us some compensation even for the sufferings of the war. What has induced these young nations to spring to arms even before we called upon them? Is it the Imperial instinct? The colonies have for the first time claimed their share in the duties, the responsibilities, as well as in the privileges of the Empire."



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Victoria, B.C., Feb. 22, 1900.

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Lillooet, 23rd February, 1900.

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The first shipment of over 100 new styles has just been marked off, and we now show without a doubt, the largest and finest stock of Boys' Suits in the West. We buy from the foremost makers and in large quantities so that we get the best possible prices, and the styles we select are not shown to any other house.

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The Brownie Suits for this spring are quite different from those shown last season; most of the better qualities are silk faced and have Double-Breasted Vests. Splendid values are shown at \$3.25, 3.50 to \$5

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## VICTORIA TIDES.

By Mr. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to 14 feet of water in the channel off Shoal Point, and 18.6 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Time.	Height above zero.	Time.	Height above zero.
4:30 a.m.	7.9 feet.	4:30 a.m.	8.0 feet.
9:00 a.m.	5.5 feet.	9:30 a.m.	5.0 feet.
1:00 p.m.	8.7 feet.	3:30 p.m.	8.6 feet.
8:50 p.m.	3.2 feet.	9:30 p.m.	4.0 feet.

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Fine English dainty for breadstreak hangings and window draperies at Weiler Bros.; new suggestions carried out to a nicety.

To Re-Open.—Alex. Zinkovic, formerly of Wellington, has assumed the management of the Occidental hotel and will reopen it next week.

We have just secured the agency for the Empire Typewriter. The only good and cheap typewriter machine made. \$60 cash. Victoria Book & Stationery Co., Limited.

Grand Lodge Meeting.—The Grand Lodge of the A.O.U.W. meets to-day. A large number of delegates are in attendance.

W. C. T. U.—At the meeting of the W.C.T.U. on Thursday at the home, Cornmarket street, Mrs. E. Andrews will give a Bible reading.

One Fire in February.—But one small fire occurred during the month of February, a slight blaze on the roof of the Vancouver hotel—loss, \$10.

Few men are foolish enough to tell the readers of a great family journal untruths about their own country. "HONDY" Ceylon Tea is as represented—therefore keep it away before you.

Just arrived, a consignment of new monuments, headstones and tablets, finished in only skill and experience can do it. Can have their order filled to their entire satisfaction at popular prices if placed with J. E. Phillips, 70 View st.

Farwell Banquet.—Mr. Angus Gubbin, who had resigned his position on the teaching staff of the North Ward school to accept a position in a Vancouver business house, was on Tuesday tendered a farewell banquet by the teachers. He was also presented with an address and a handsomely bound volume of Burns and Scott.

Red Cross Society.—In the city hall to-morrow evening a public meeting will be held for the purpose of considering the advisability of forming a branch of the Red Cross Society in Victoria. This society will not in any way interfere with the work of the patriotic committee, the objects of the Red Cross Society being purely the succoring of the sick and wounded.

## FAWCETT'S

Drug and Dispensing Store.

To gain the best results from a consultation with your doctor, it is necessary that your prescription be accurately prepared, and you may confidently rely upon it that this is fully carried out at the store of F. W. Fawcett & Co., where none but fully qualified, careful dispensers are employed.

Belle Archer.—F. E. Morse, manager of the Belle Archer Company, which presents Hoyt's "A Contented Woman" at the Victoria theatre a week from to-night, was at the Victoria yesterday. During the evening Miss Arger will recite the "Absent-Minded Beggar." This is her last season with "A Contented Woman." Forbes Herman, having written a new comedy for her, his name is a secret, but begins with Z. Panel photographs of Miss Archer are to be presented as prizes to those guessing the correct name.

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The New Constables.—Before Justice of the Peace Sholtoff the four new constables appointed to the police force by the board of police commissioners were sworn in yesterday. They will enter upon their duties at once.

On all the Pullman cars Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is to be had.

Still Another.—Actions against Hon. Dr. McKechnie for sitting in the legislature after having forfeited his qualifications continue to pile up. Yesterday another action for \$500 was issued at the instance of W. Woodman, of Nanaimo.

Johnson-McInnes.—At Alexandria, Cariboo, on Thursday last, Miss Agnes, youngest daughter of A. D. McInnes, J.P. of that place, was united in marriage to Albert Johnson, youngest son of John Johnson, of Kansas City, Rev. Father Poyteran officiated.

Organ Recitals.—At St. John's church, during Lent, Mr. J. Longfield is arranging to give another series of organ recitals after evening on each Sunday. The first will be held next Sunday and the following vocalists will take part: Mrs. Belyea, Mrs. Jamon and Mr. Moxon.

Don't start on your journey without putting a bottle of Jesse Moore "AA" in your grip.

Epworth League.—The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church spent a very pleasant time on Monday evening. A good programme was provided by the "bachelors and bachelorettes" who had sole charge of the proceedings, and was greatly appreciated by those present. The gentlemen were obliged to appoint a lady pianist on account of the non-arrival of the only man available. Refreshments were served at the close.

New Chemical Tested.—The new chemical engine, purchased by the city from the Portland fire department through Mr. A. G. Lange, and tested in the presence of the fire wardens, and found satisfactory in every way. Chief Denis is of the opinion that the city has got a great bargain in the engine, the original cost of which, from the manufacturers would be \$3,000. The price paid by the city was \$1,727. The engine is practically a new one and in first-class shape.

New Mining Camp.—Still another section of British Columbia is attracting the attention of mining men. This new mining camp is at the head of Portland Canal, and although little has been heard of it, has already got one well developed mine. The president and treasurer, Anthony Graham, of the Avonso Gold and Copper Mining Company, who own the mine are at present at the Dominion. They are here to purchase horses and supplies, which will be shipped north on the steamer Bosconia, the owners of which will have their steamer call at Portland Canal regularly, taking in supplies and bringing south ore. The company have a lot of \$40-a-ton ore on the dump.

Patriotic Concert.—The sub-committee appointed by the general patriotic committee to arrange for an entertainment in the Victoria theatre at an early date in aid of the Canadian patriotic fund, met yesterday morning at the city hall and mapped out a programme, which promises to make the concert one of the most successful events ever held here. Mayor Hayward presided and there were present Messdames C. Hayward, Henry Croft, E. G. Prior, F. B. Pemberton, J. Peters, and A. W. Jones, and Messrs. W. R. Wilson, H. C. Galt, and H. Kent. Mr. Wilson was appointed secretary. Another meeting will be held to-morrow at noon to receive reports on the various suggestions made.

He's an absent-minded beggar, And he's gone off to the front, And his heart is true to England to the core; But there's 'eaps of consolation For the ones 'e's left at home, For they know 'is canteen's stocked with "Jesse Moore."

Contract Awarded.—Messrs. Elford & Smith, who are just completing the handsome block for Mr. Charles A. Vernon at the corner of Government and Broughton streets, were yesterday awarded the contract for the two-story brick and stone building to be erected at the corner of Broad and View streets by Mr. P. C. MacGregor. The figure is in the neighborhood of \$12,000. Work will be commenced immediately. If building operations continue during the summer as they have during the winter, and they give every promise of doing so, there will be quite an improvement in the appearance of Victoria before another year rolls round. There are now in course of erection seven brick blocks, with tenders out for more.

A Great Harpist.—To give the readers of the Colonist some idea of the marvellous powers of execution of Miss Inez Carusi, America's greatest harpist, who will appear at the Drill Hall concert Saturday evening, the following paragraph is taken from the Washington, D. C., Evening Star: "As a harpist Miss Carusi has no superior and few equals in this country. She is an artist of rare excellence, a thorough musician, graceful and unassuming, and a meritorious translator of the masters. Miss Carusi has no superior and few not to be excelled, while the clearness and volume of her tone is remarkable. Her touch at the harp is the embodiment of grace and refinement, and as the themes of the composer receive interpretation at her hands, we hear the swell and sparkle of melody, wondering if the quiet figure seated before the instrument controls its harmony. Her position distinguishes her individuality—touch sympathetic and of greatest purity."

How to Improve Your Telephone.—There is in use in larger cities an instrument called a paralyzer (whatever that means). It causes the most intense wakefulness in the central—so much so that one never requires to give the number the second time. It is a splendid thing and much needed here. At 80 Yates street, the Victoria News Co., R. T. Williams, manager, you will find ample stock of stationery and save enough on your purchases to pay for your telephone.

## Relieved of Heavy Tax

Important Decision of Justice Drake Effects Collection of Succession Duties.

Makes Difference of Five Thousand Dollars on Todd Estate.

A most important decision effecting the collection of succession duties was given by Mr. Justice Drake in Supreme court chambers yesterday. By this decision the provincial receives something like \$5,000 less from the estate of the late J. H. Todd than they claim. The deputy Attorney-General, appearing for the crown during the argument, delivered several days' ago, contended that the province was entitled to collect a tax of 5 per cent. on the whole estate, while Mr. Laxton, for the executors, held that the duty should be paid on a sliding scale. Mr. Justice Drake decided in favor of Mr. Laxton's contention. He pointed out in his judgment that according to the act the tax on the first \$75,000 in excess of \$25,000 should be 1½ per cent., which he said meant that any sum above \$25,000 and up to \$75,000 was taxable at 1½ per cent. The next provision is that for the first \$100,000 or portion thereof in excess of \$75,000 is taxable at 2½ per cent. This he decided only imposed a tax on the estate above \$100,000. The last clause of the act is the effect that any sum in excess of \$200,000 shall pay a duty of 5 per cent. This his lordship decided also imposed a tax of 5 per cent. on any amount above \$200,000. In conclusion he said, the duty must be calculated on the basis of a sliding scale.

If this judgment stand against the appeal, which the which the province will probably take, the Todd estate instead of paying 5 per cent. on the whole amount of the estate, will pay nothing on the first \$25,000; 1½ per cent. on \$75,000; 2½ per cent. on \$100,000 and 5 per cent. on all over \$200,000. Another judgment was given yesterday by Mr. Justice Drake in connection with the same estate, the executors appealing to him to define the meaning of one of the clauses in the will. The clause on which they asked a decision was: "Upon trust to divide the whole of my estate that shall remain after payment of my debts and legacies into so many parts of equal value as shall represent the number of children living and who pre-deceased me leaving lawful issue, allowing to each male as to one against each female child."

Mr. Martin contended that the executors were restricted in their division of the estate to the same number of shares as there are children, viz., five. In giving judgment Mr. Justice Drake said if Mr. Martin's contention was correct the testator's direction that the sons were to receive two shares to the daughters' one could not be carried out. The directions in the will were clear. The executors could divide the estate into any number of parts which they thought would most accurately carry out the testator's intention and which could be most convenient for the purpose of division. They were not restricted in the mode by which the testator's wishes were to be carried out.

For family use Jesse Moore "AA" whiskey is a prime favorite, and in thousands of homes it is always on the buffet.

## LANSDOWNE'S ANSWER.

Secretary for War Gracefully Acknowledges Message From Victoria's Mayor.

Mayor Hayward yesterday received the following telegram from the Marquis of Lansdowne, Secretary of State for War, in reply to his congratulatory despatch on the occasion of the surrender of Gen. Crozier:

"London, Eng., Feb. 28, 1900. "Mayor, Victoria, B.C.: "I value your congratulations and rejoice with you over the distinction achieved by Canadian soldiers."

"LANSDOWNE."

Band Remembered.—After their series of patriotic concerts in the streets on Tuesday, the members of the Fifth Regiment band were rewarded with half a dozen "cold bottles" at the Grotto, "Steve's" thoughtfulness was much appreciated by the bandmen.

Police Returns.—The police record for February is a light one, the entries being: Infraction of the revenue by-law, 1; failure to support will, 2; drunk, 11; assault, 3; supplying intoxicants to Indians, 1; using threatening language, 1; perjury, 1; stealing, 2; possession of stolen property, 2; safe keeping, 5; fighting, 2; infraction of public morals by-law, 1; infraction of street by-law, 2; infraction of fire prevention by-law, 1; vagrancy, 1; possession of intoxicants, 1; infraction of youths' protection by-law, 2; unsound mind, 1.

Conviction Quashed.—The Nanaimo Free Press says: "Judge Harrison this morning handed down his decision in the appeal case of Wilson Brothers vs. Corporation of Nanaimo, the decision being in favor of the appellants. This was the case in which the city sued Wilson Bros. of Victoria to recover a license for the disposition of the stock of J. L. McKay, by auction in this city. The case was tried before Justices Hilbert and Shakespeare, and they decided in favor of the city. Judge Harrison quashed the conviction, holding that from the evidence Wilson Brothers could not be classed as transient traders or other persons who occupied premises in the municipality for temporary periods."

Officers Installed.—Past Chief Factor Dr. J. D. Helmecken on Thursday evening installed the following officers of Post No. 1, Native Sons of the British Columbia: Past chief factor, Ald. Jas. Stuart Yates; chief factor, Frank Higgins; first vice-factor, W. C. Moresby; second vice-factor, Geo. Madigan; secretary-treasurer, E. P. Johnston; recording secretary, A. E. Eames; treasurer, Chas. Gardiner; inside guard, P. Watson; outside guard, W. H. Cox; committee of management, J. E. Wilson, Geo. Powell, E. H. Henley, E. W. Pratt and A. T. Ker. After the installation a supper was partaken of and appropriate speeches delivered. The society sent a direct telegram to the British Columbians serving in South Africa.

## 300 Acres North Saanich.

This magnificent property, charmingly situated, consists of 300 acres of first-class farming land, 150 acres of which are under cultivation, the balance being bush land of the best quality, easily cleared. This property is for sale at \$37.50 per acre, and is probably the greatest bargain ever offered in the way of first-class farming property in Saanich.

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## THE BY-LAW DEFEATED.

Yesterday's Vote Kills Victoria & Chilliwack Railway Scheme.

Despite the political excitement which prevailed yesterday, a good vote was polled on the Victoria & Chilliwack railway by-law submitted to the people, though it was defeated by nearly three to one.

The total vote was above the average—and nearly double that polled for the last three by-laws. The vote by wards was as follows:

CITY VS. TRAMWAY.

Action to Compel the Company to Run Cars Out Douglas Street.

The action brought by the city to compel the street railway company, if possible to operate their line from Burnside road to Polmie avenue on Saanich road, came on for trial before Mr. Justice Drake in the Supreme court yesterday after many delays. The action is entitled Yates vs. the British Columbia Electric Railway Company, the plaintiffs being Mr. H. M. Yates. The company laid tracks on the road in question, but stopped running their cars on the extension nearly two years ago. The clause in the act which the corporation depends on reads: "The cars shall run over the whole of the streets mentioned in the schedule hereto on which the said tracks are laid, at least 15 hours in summer and 18 hours in winter on each day and at intervals of not more than 20 minutes. Among the streets mentioned in the schedule is "Douglas street to northern boundary of city limits."

After hearing arguments by W. J. Taylor and J. M. Bradburn for the city and A. E. McPherson and C. L. Baird for the company His Lordship reserved judgment.

## PRESBYTERY OF VICTORIA.

Another Day Spent in Considering Reports on Church Work.

The presbytery of Victoria continued in session in St. Paul's church, Victoria West, all day yesterday. The greater part of the time was occupied in the discussion of the reports in reference to home mission work on Pender and Deamin Islands, Englishman's River, Northfield, South Wellington, Extension, Chemainus, Mt. Stoker, Alberni, East Victoria and Collier Hill. Arrangements were effected for continuing the supply of services at these points during the ensuing six months.

Reports of the work among the Indian tribes of Barclay Sound, Alberni and Comox and among the Chinese in Victoria, Union, Vancouver and a number of points in Kootenay, including Rosland and Nelson, were also considered.

The Sabbath school and Young People's Societies' work as reported was carefully reviewed.

The reports on the whole were of a gratifying and encouraging character.

## GOLF MATCH.

Result of the Second Medal Competition Held on Saturday Last.

The following is the result of the second monthly medal competition held at the Oak Bay links on Saturday last:

A CLASS.

Score.	Hcp.	Result.
H. Drummond	101	18 83
H. Combe	84	8 84
G. S. Holt	91	7 84
A. W. Jones	102	15 88
A. H. Stewart	89	8 89
A. L. Crease	107	16 91

LADIES.

Score.	Hdp.	Result.
Miss E. M. Hills	68	25 43
Mrs. Laing	69	24 45
Mrs. Burton	58	9 49
Miss S. Pemberton	67	18 49
Mrs. Holland	68	18 50
Miss E. M. Hills	51	8 51
Mrs. F. S. Barnard	68	16 52
Miss R. Foster	73	19 54

Funeral Services.—The funeral of the late Mr. John Pearce took place from her husband's residence, Chatham street, yesterday afternoon, where a very impressive service for the dead was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Barralough in the presence of a large number of sympathizing friends. The following gentlemen officiated as pall-bearers: F. Carro, Jr., J. Walsh, J. Boyd, Geo. Welsh, D. Moses, J. Bullen.

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The popular view of the relation of the blood to human character and conduct is marked in many a familiar expression. We speak of "being 'bad blood'" between two people at enmity. We speak of "bad breeding" as denoting ancestry, of "black blood" as denoting a treacherous nature, and in many instances of "bad blood" as denoting the intellectual, moral and physical man, "the blood is the life." The one basis of a healthful, happy and useful life is pure blood. With pure blood, the body occupies a happy and leading place in the system. For this reason the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, to purify the blood, is a disease which has its origin in impurity of the blood. It absolutely purifies the blood, carrying off the waste and poisonous matter, in the blood, and building up the body by supplying the blood in quantity and quality such as to make the blood the basis of a healthy existence. Ninety-eight people out of every hundred who give it a fair trial.

ly rendered. There were three instances of special merit which deserve mention. The "Volin solos" of Master J. H. Gordon, Armstrong and Miss G. Shiras, for instance, were notable features, as indicated by the cordial applause of the audience. The flute solo of Miss G. Collis was in a luscious category; while the "cello solo" by Master J. H. Gordon was a noteworthy contribution which it received. The orchestra distinguished themselves in the overture—"Poet and Peasant"—in the second part; and the concluding piece from Athlie, "The War March of the Priests," was exceptionally well rendered. The audience, notwithstanding the late hour of the evening, joined with unusual spirit in singing the "Soldiers of the Queen," and National Anthem, with which the programme closed.

But even then he is not at all certain that he has obtained what he requires. His personal qualifications must first be inquired into by a committee of women, and then the artist must be seen by every artist in New York, and should he be found wanting in moral standing the sacred bureau will be closed to him forever.

A well-known artist who resides not far from the bureau recently made personal application for a model, whose fair face and form he desired to immortalize in a classic study of a Grecian maiden. The artist's rumor had preceded him, and the portals were opened to him, but he was not a model artist. Then, as Kingsley says, a strange thing happened.

On returning to his studio he was awakened one night by a melancholic retrospection of his life, and of his cruel repulsion by a knock at the door which he opened to a group of shapely damsels who hailed—low he spoke— from the temple of Fifty-ninth street, and the artist's door was closed, as usual, in answering applicants for a study of the Greek maiden. So the end of that man was better than his beginning.

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## PROVINCIAL

### GRAND FORKS.

Grand Forks, Feb. 22.—The Great work has demonstrated that the Gray Eagle, at Phoenix, has the same ledge as the Knob Hill and Old Ironsides. A drift on the 200-foot level of the Knob Hill has already extended into the Gray Eagle, which will also be developed by vertical shafts. The face of the drift is in ore. In this connection it is interesting to note that the underground developments of the ledge on the Knob Hill and Old Ironsides aggregate over 2,800 feet of work, and a vertical depth of over 500 feet on the ore has been attained, proving conclusively the continuity of the ore downwards, and dispelling any theory that may suggest itself that the ore may not go down. The Gray Eagle is one of a group of claims acquired last summer by J. P. Graves, of Grand Forks, and S. H. C. Miner, of Granby, Que.

Operations will be resumed shortly on the Emma claim in Summit camp. It is owned by Mann & Mackenzie, the well-known railway contractors. The surface showing is very fine, and a 100-foot shaft on the property is all in ore.

A big strike is reported from Skylark camp. On the Blue Jay for a depth of 100 feet the footwall of the ledge was followed by an incline, and then drifting was started. A few days ago the ore body, whose width has not yet been determined, was encountered.

T. W. Holland, secretary of the townsite company, has been elected a member of the council of the board of trade.

While there are many business openings in Grand Forks, what the public most need is a foundry and machine shop. The facilities afforded by the private plant in connection with the Granby smelter are entirely inadequate. Custom work there is only undertaken as a favor. A foundry and machine shop established here would enjoy a practical monopoly.

The Grand Forks board of trade is preparing a mineral exhibit of boundary ores to be displayed in the board rooms.

The water flume from the dam across the north fork to the smelter, over a mile in length, has been finished. The turbines are being placed in position in the power house.

Mayor Lloyd A. Manly has left for Ottawa on business in connection with his application to parliament for a charter to incorporate the Kettle River Railway Company.

The finest shipment of ore for the Grand Forks smelter, now nearing completion, has arrived in ten wagons from the City of Paris mine, in Central camp. Seven thousand tons from the same property will be hauled here within the next two months. The work of roasting the ores in large heaps will be commenced within a fortnight.

## Surgical Operations as a cure for piles.

Are Painful, Expensive and Dangerous—The Only Certain Cure is Dr. Chase's Ointment.

Besides the acute misery produced by the itching and burning of piles, this horrible disease is the more to be dreaded because a surgical operation is commonly considered the only effective cure. Fortunately this is a mistaken idea, for physicians have learned to use Dr. Chase's Ointment instead of applying the knife, not only because it is less expensive and less risky, but also because it is a more effective cure.

It frequently happens that after people have endured the torture of piles for years and submitted to operations, that they are finally cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment, the only guaranteed cure.

Among persons operated on for piles and afterwards cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment, we would mention Rev. J. A. Baldwin, of Arkona, Ont.; W. H. Sutherland, Truro, N.S.; and H. D. Thornton, Calgary, N.W.T.

Dr. Chase's Ointment truly works wonders, for it positively cures the worst cases of blind, itching, bleeding and protruding piles and all itching diseases. Give a box at all dealers, or Edmundson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

For bronchitis, croup, coughs, colds and asthma no remedy can be compared to Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine.

Albert. The dining room was very artistically decorated with evergreens, flags and bunting. The hall also was beautifully decorated with British and American flags. The hall was an entire success, and was viewed by many who could not muster up courage to arrange a costume to suit the occasion.

Mr. G. A. Huff has returned from Victoria and has had him, but is now convalescing. Mr. Leonard Frank has been suffering from rheumatism.

Mrs. E. J. Saunders, who has been seriously ill, is now under the able treatment of Dr. Watson, getting better. Mr. McKinnon, our new shoemaker, is pegging away, and was a much needed acquisition to Albert.

Messrs. Law, Ward and Wilson are doing some extensive development work on the Raven Nos. 1 and 2, opposite the townsite.

Prospectors are preparing to commence outfitting for the spring season, and are expected that with the disappearance of the present snow water will be at an end.

Work is still going on at the Golden Eagle.

Granite Creek is quiet at present, and until the trail is opened nothing can be done.

The news of the defeat of the government was received here with great pleasure. Ruxton Cox, of this place, who is in the employ of the government on the Quadra, has received notice to be in Victoria by the 1st prox, to go into service again.

Mr. Robert Pickerton, who for the past 3 years has been residing in Victoria, has returned to remain with old friends and acquaintances.

The news of the death of so many of Canada's noble sons in South Africa in defence of our Empire has been felt very keenly in this place. Two of Pte. Sommer's brothers are resident here. A public meeting has been called for Wednesday, to pass resolutions of sympathy and condolence with the relatives of the fallen heroes. A very deep interest is taken in the war news received each evening by wire from Natal, also the late developments in provincial politics absorb much attention.

The partly form of citizen blood is again to be seen in our streets, he having fully recovered from an attack of rheumatism.

Dr. Watson has moved into his new house opposite the Presbyterian church. The place of this place has decided to hold a reunion, which promises to be a grand success.

Several new buildings are shortly to be erected, and everything points to a season of prosperity.

### LADNER.

The entertainment given on Friday in the hall of the Mansion House fund by the King's Daughters, under the presidency of Miss Ethel Harris, was a decided success and netted some \$800. The neighborhood of \$800. Miss Alice Thirkell, who in her speech of welcome assured the audience that she would do her best to please them. The principle items on the programme were Miss Daisy Devereux paying a morning call upon a neighbor, in which she seemed intent upon knowing and which caused roars of laughter. Miss Violet Ladner in her character song "Up With the Flag" did exceedingly well, but surpassed herself in her recitation of "Killing the Soldier" and "The Soldier's Boy." "You'll Buy My Pretty Flowers" by Miss Minerva Smith, dressed as a flower girl, was well received. Miss Annie McLennan's "Charcoal Men," with the faint and distant echo, "Arolo, Arolo." The popular song "Soldier's Boy" was given as a chorus by the King's Daughters, dressed in the various uniforms of the British army, was sung and acted with great spirit, and received a well-deserved encore. Miss Ethel Harris sang "The Red Cross" and a pathos that touched the hearts of the audience, and brought the scene of battle very effectively before them. Club-swinging by Misses Alice Ladner and Phoebe Simpson was excellent, the easy, off-hand manner in which they swung their clubs making it an exceedingly graceful performance. The motion song, "Snowflakes," by four of the daughters, clad all in white, was really pretty. After going through various motions they flattered and floated to the ground, waiting for a gust of wind to blow them up again, and ultimately to blow them behind the scenes. The dialogue, "The Sewing Circle," created much amusement, and brought to a close one of the best programmes ever produced on the Ladner stage by amateurs. Miss Ethel Harris, who has been given credit for the able manner in which she has coached the girls for the occasion, and it is certain that they have by their talent won the confidence of the public, will not be behind-hand in taking forward any other amusement for the benefit of our soldiers in South Africa.

### SEA COALING.

The importance of the question of coaling at sea increases directly as the increase of sea power, and with the probability of fighting naval wars far from home shores the ratio rises enormously. England's first line of defense is said to be the enemy's coast. She is well supplied with coaling stations all around the world. But were she blockaded from foreign ports, how large a portion of the blockading fleet would be worst than ineffective, because itself subject to possible attack by superior force while steaming between blockade and coaling station. The greater the distance to the coal, the greater the amount of vessel consumed, and of five miles away, with Guantamano only forty-five miles away, Germany fully appreciates the necessity of an apparatus for coaling at sea, as indicated by the statement of Rear-Admiral Plueddeman, who said recently: "It will be absolutely necessary in future to take coal from a coiler at sea."

Spencer Miller, in the Engineering Magazine for February.

Smart Weed and Belladonna, combined with the other ingredients use in the best plasters, make Carter's S. W. & B. Plasters the best in the market. Price 25 cents.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS.

A Slight Increase in the Price of Flour—Eggs Come Down.

The past week has been marked by an increase of 25 cents a barrel in the price of most flours, another rise in butter and a decrease in the price of eggs. The quotations follow:

Ogilvie's Hungarian, per bbl.	5.25
Lake of the Woods, per bbl.	5.25
O. K., per bbl.	4.75
Snowflake, per bbl.	4.75
Calgary, Hungarian, per bbl.	4.75
Premier, per bbl.	5.00
XXX Elderly, per bbl.	4.75

Wheat, per ton	28.00/30.00
Corn (whole), per ton	20.00/22.00
Corn (cracked), per ton	27.00/30.00
Oats, per ton	20.00/22.00
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs.	40/50
Roller Oats (B. & K.), per 10 lbs.	40
Roller Oats (B. & K.), 7lb sack	30

Hay (baled), per ton	16.00/17.00
Straw, per bale	50/75
Middlings, per ton	21.00/23.00
Brass, per ton	30.00/32.00
Ground feed, per ton	24.00/26.00

Vegetables—	
Potatoes, per 100 lbs.	1.00/1.25
Cabbages, per lb.	10/20
Lettuce, 4 heads for	20
Carrots, per lb.	2
Celery, per bunch	15
Tomatoes, per lb.	20
Peas, per lb.	10
Onions, per lb.	20

Fish—	
Salmon (smoked), per lb.	20
Salmon (spring), per lb.	10/12
Oysters (Olympian), per pt.	15/20
Oysters (Eastern), per pt.	10
Cod, per lb.	8
Halibut, per lb.	5
Trout, per lb.	5
Smelt, per lb.	5
Flounders, per lb.	25
Crabs, 3 for	25

Farm Produce—	
Eggs (Manitoba), per dozen	20
Eggs (Ontario), per dozen	20
Butter (Delta creamery)	35
Best dairy (creamery)	35
Butter (Canadian)	20
Lard, per lb.	12/15

Meats—	
Hams (American), per lb.	17/18
Bacon (Canadian), per lb.	14/15
Bacon (American), per lb.	14/15
Bacon (rolled), per lb.	12/13
Beef (long clear), per lb.	12/13
Shoulders, per lb.	14
Roast, per lb.	8/10
Mutton, per lb.	10/12
Veal, per lb.	12/13
Pork, per lb.	10/11

Game—	
Ducks (mallards), per brace	75/85
Ducks (wild), per brace	85/95
Ducks (teal), per brace	20
Ducks (brant), per brace	85/100
Rabbits (Island), per pair	75

Fruit—	
Bananas, per doz.	30/35
Lemons (California), per doz.	25
Lemons (small) per doz.	25
Apples, per lb.	5/6
Pears, 3 lbs. for	25
Oranges (navels), per doz.	40
Apples (all kinds), per lb.	20

Poultry—	
Dressed chicken, per pair	1.50/1.75
Ducks (Island), per pair	1.80/2.00
Ducks (Eastern), per pair	1.90/2.10
Turkeys (Island), per lb.	25/30
Turkeys (Eastern), per lb.	18

Engineering upon is not of our seeking, for our admiralty has laid it down that our naval expenditure is determined by that of foreign powers. Engineering holds that we need not be charged with egotism because of this attitude; our aim is rather to assure foreign powers that since our ambition is to maintain the status quo in strength as well as geographically and politically, the discontinuance of the practice of adding

annually to armaments, practices entirely with them. Germany, notwithstanding this, has practically decided to double its navy within the next 16 years. The proposal has passed the federal council. This will bring the numbers to 40 battleships, 20 first-class cruisers, with a large addition to smaller craft. This means, with docks, etc., an extra vote of 93 million sterling.

measuring 40 minutes, and 2 hours and 30 minutes, and rolling 40 minutes, and 3 hours. The total time occupied in making the 1,000 yards of Brussels carpet was 506 hours 1 minute by machine methods, and 4,047 hours 30 minutes by hand methods. With machinery 31 workmen were required, as compared with 18 by the manual process; and the wages have gone up from 12s to 20s per week to sum varying between 20s and £3. At the same time the labor cost of making 1,000 yards of carpet, according to Engineering, is only one-third what it was—£18 5s against £51. A small industry auxiliary to the foregoing is that of planning and sewing carpets. The former operation does not admit of mechanical aid, although, owing doubtless to more skilled labor, 100 yards of carpet are now made in 45 minutes, as compared with 60 minutes. Sewing widths together and finishing ends ceases now to be a hand job, electrically driven sewing machines being substituted, and they do in 1 hour 15 minutes work which formerly occupied 27 hours of hand labor.

## Kandy List of Victoria Firms.

BOOK EXCHANGE. CASHMORE'S, 103 Douglas street; buys and exchanges all kinds of books and novels.

BAKERS AND CONFECTIONERS. M. R. SMITH & CO., 103 Douglas St., Victoria, B.C., Manufacturers of all kinds of Plain and Fancy Biscuits and Cakes.

BUILDERS & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATTERALL—16 Broad St., P.O. Box 548; office fittings, wharves repaired, etc.

REPAIRS AND GENERAL JOBBING. Office and Shop Fitting. J. F. Burgess, Carpenter, 11 Broughton St., T28.

DRAYMAN. JOSEPH HEANEY, Truck and Drayman—Office 25 Yates street; stables 119 Superior street; Telephone 171.

FURNAL DIRECTOR & EMBALMERS. CHAS. HAYWARD, 52 Government street.

HARDWARE. E. G. PRIOR & CO.—Hardware and Agricultural Implements, Cor. Johnson and Government streets.

HICKMAN TYE HARDWARE CO., Ltd.—Importers of iron, steel, hardware, pipe, fittings, cutlery, etc. Mining and mill supplies a specialty.

IRONWORKS. VICTORIA MACHINE DEPOT CO., Ltd. (late Spratt & Gray)—Engineers, founders, suppliers, etc., 17 and 19 Work street. Telephone 570.

LIVERY AND TRANSFERS. VICTORIA TRUCK & DRAY CO.—Telephone 33.

STEAM COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS. STEINER & BAILEY, Coffee, spices, mustard and baking powders. Pembroke st., near Government.

NOVELTY WORKS. L. HAFER, general machinist, 150 Government street.

PLUMBERS. E. F. GEIGER, sanitary plumbing, gas and hot water fitting, Tel. 229.

PHOTOGRAPHERS. PHOTOGRAPH SUPPLIES—R. Maynard, 41 Pandora street.—All kinds of photographic material for amateurs and professionals; Kodaks, Pocos, Koronas, etc. Same block Mrs. S. Maynard's Art Studio; also views of British Columbia and Alaska for sale.

Same block—Maynard's Shoe and Fitting. 41 Pandora street; boots, shoes, leather and shoe findings; "K" boots a specialty.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BUTCHERS. L. Goodacre, Contractor by app'l to Royal Navy and Dominion Government. Tel. 52.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKET CO., Ltd., Gov't and Yates sts., Butchers and poulterers; wholesale and retail dealers in fresh, salted and smoked meats, lard, etc., branch, Vancouver.

REAL ESTATE. TO RENT—Seven-roomed furnished house, No. 23 Catharine St., Victoria. Tel. 111. Moderate possession; piano, two boats and boat-house, with premises. Ben Williams & Co., 44 Port St.

STEAM DYE WORKS. PAISLEY DYE WORKS—Tel. 410. The old reliable. Established 1855. 114½ Yates street.

SCAVENGERS. ED. LINES, General Scavenger, 235 Yates street—Yards, etc., cleaned. Orders left at Speed Bros. cor. Douglas and Fort streets; Schroeder Bros., corner Michigan and Mendez will be promptly attended to.

PETER HANSEN, city scavenger, teamster and wood dealer. Building sand and gravel for sale. Address, 40 Discovery street. Telephone 154.

## Vancouver Business Directory

JOHN RANKIN, Hastings street. AUCTION ROOMS AND STOCK BUYER.

BANKS. BANK OF MONTREAL. BANK OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

CANNING SUPPLIES. JOHN LECKIE, 632 Granville street.

ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES. CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED, Vancouver. Electrical Supplies.

MILLERS. THE BRACKMAN & KER MILLING CO., Ltd., mill stuffs, etc.

WHOLESALE DRUGGISTS. HENDERSON BROS.

HARDWARE. THOS. DUNN & CO., Ltd., 8 and 10 Cordova street.

HOTELS. RADNORTH HOUSE, rates \$2 and \$2.50. STRAND HOTEL—Hastings street.

PATENT ATTORNEY AND DRAUGHTS. TRETHEWEY & BRITAIN, Bank of B. N.A. Building, Hastings street.

The Strand Hotel. On the European plan. Special rooms Commercial Men. Hastings street West. Vancouver, B.C.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL. Bathing. Tel. 82. 82.00 a Day House in Vancouver. J. F. COOPER & CO., Managers.

APIOL & STEEL PILLS. A REMEDY FOR IRREGULARITIES. Superseding Bitter Apple, Pili Cochina, Pennyroyal, &c.

Order of all Chemists, or post free for \$1.50 from PHARM & SONS, LTD., Victoria, B.C. Martia, Pharmaceutical Chemist, Southampton.

## BOILERS AND STEAM PUMPS.

Tenders, properly sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m. on Monday, 12th March prox., for 2 Steam Pumps and Fittings; also for 3 Boilers and Fittings; all to be fitted and fixed in place near the North Dairy Farm, about 3 miles from the City Hall, in accordance with specifications, which can be seen at the office of the undersigned. Certified cheque, payable to City Treasurer, equal to 5 per cent. of amount of tender, to accompany each tender.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

NOTE—The time for receiving tenders for the above has been extended to the 19th March.

WM. W. NORTHCOOT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C., February 14th, 1900.

## CEMENT and CURB STONES

Tenders (separate), properly sealed and endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 o'clock p.m., on Monday, March 5th, for 2,000 barrels (or more, if required), of White's Portland Cement or any other brand of Portland Cement of equal quality in strength to White's; also for 2,000 lineal feet (or more, if required) of Granite Curb Stones.

Particulars and specifications can be seen at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOOT, Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

City Hall, Victoria, B.C.

## Eastlake Shingles

Galvanized or Painted.

When you get to the roof use our famous

They look well and last well—are Fire, Lightning and Rust proof—and are quicker laid than others, because of their patent telescopic side lock.

Be sure of enduring protection by getting genuine Eastlakes, they never fail.

Write us for full information. Metallic Roofing Co. Limited TORONTO.

A. B. FRASER, SR. SELLING AGENT. VICTORIA.

## Send for Current Prices of Leather Belting.

THE J. C. McLaren Belting Co.

MONTREAL. TORONTO. STOCK CARRIED BY J. C. DIXON AGENT, VANCOUVER

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia

Between The Marion Steam Shovel Company, Plaintiff; and The Port George Gold Dredging Company and The Pittsburg & Cariboo Gold Dredging Company, Defendants.

In obedience to a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, Yale Registry, at Kamloops, and to me directed in the above named suit for the sum of \$3,420.76 and \$7.90 for costs of execution, etc., and also interest on \$3,420.76 at six per centum per annum from the 7th day of January, 1890, until payment; besides Sheriff's poundage, officer's fees, and all other legal incidental expenses, I have seized and, unless the said execution debt, interest and costs are sooner paid, will offer for sale by public auction, on Friday, the 16th day of March proximo, at Rich Bar, about four miles below Quesnel, on Fraser River, the following described goods and chattels, or sufficient thereof to satisfy the said execution debt, interest and costs, that is to say:

A complete dredging plant, known as the "Youngs Dredge," and consisting of 1 scow 26x8x5 feet, 1 scow 16x7x4 feet, 2 boilers of 50 h.p. each, 1 double steam hoisting engine 3x10, 1 double steam wheel engine 10x12, 1 dynamo with fittings complete; 2,000 lineal feet of assorted steel cable, 650 lineal feet of 2-inch Manila rope, about 600 lbs. of bolts, nuts and steam fittings, a full outfit of machinists', blacksmiths' and carpenters' tools, a large quantity of tools and appliances used in operating the dredge, and other articles too numerous to mention; also a set of steam hoisting engines now stored at Quesnel; also 6 Dredging Leascholds, each comprising 5 miles of the bed of Fraser River, commencing at a point on said river about one mile above the mouth of Cottonwood River and extending thence up stream a distance of thirty miles.

JOHN STEVENSON, Sheriff of Cariboo.

Barkerville, B. C., February 6th, 1900.

## NOTICE

To intending purchasers of land suitable

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Farms Chicken Ranches Nurseries Market Gardens Orchards Milk Ranches

OR Suburban Homes.

The CLOVERDALE FARM ESTATE consists of some 400 acres,



## THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office.

Victoria, Feb. 28.—8 p.m.  
SYNOPSIS.

The ocean storm area which rapidly crossed this province this morning, is now causing mild weather in the Territories and heavy snow about Edmonton. Snow is also falling in Cariboo, while from Vancouver Island southward fairer weather is settling in in advance of an important high barometer area which is slowly moving up the American coast.

## TEMPERATURES.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	43	48
New Westminster	36	48
Kamloops	31	50
Barkerville	26	34
Calgary	24	44
Winnipeg	24	44
Portland, Ore.	44	56
San Francisco	48	62

## FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Thursday:  
Victoria and vicinity—West and southwest winds; mostly fair, with occasional showers.  
Lower Mainland—Moderate winds; partly fair, with showers chiefly at night.

## VICTORIA DAILY REPORT.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 a.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28.

Deg.	Deg.
5 a.m. 43	Mean 45
Noon 44	Highest 48
5 p.m. 47	Lowest 42

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:  
5 a.m. 22 miles southwest.  
Noon 22 miles west.  
5 p.m. 12 miles southwest.  
Average state of weather—Fairly fair, with rain.  
Rain—32 inch.  
Sunshine—2 hours 42 minutes.  
Barometer at noon—Observed 30.076  
Corrected 30.087  
Mean temperature for February 40.42.  
Total precipitation for February 2.79 inches.

## NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected 30.02

## PASSENGERS.

By steamer Victorian from the Sound:	
T. E. Morse.	A. Corcoran.
J. E. Fairbairn.	H. M. Miles.
Mrs. Convey.	H. Miller.
Mrs. Bradley.	Mrs. Miller.
C. E. Hawkins.	Wm. Duncan.
S. H. Gravel.	J. L. Harper.
M. J. Caspers.	H. N. Fullerton.
S. Friedman.	K. Morgan.
E. E. Hart.	Wm. Young.
J. J. Maxwell.	Will Hodder.
T. H. Hall.	Wm. Brown.
W. H. Reed.	D. Campbell.
Mrs. Reed.	Capt. Gatter.
Capt. Bally.	
By steamer Puebla from San Francisco:	
H. H. Cookson.	W. J. Taffe.
Mrs. Cookson.	Mrs. Taffe.
W. H. Dunston.	R. Goodacre.
Miss McNeill.	S. Goodacre.
Mrs. S. C. Jones.	Miss McNeill.
H. Paul.	and Child.
J. Burne.	J. Bell.
By steamer Islander from Vancouver:	
Miss Patton.	C. Green.
D. Kennedy.	Mrs. Green.
Mrs. Kennedy.	A. F. Fumagalli.
Miss Price.	C. F. Fumagalli.
J. Pound.	E. Dupree.
Mrs. Pound.	E. Paul.
Miss Porter.	E. Paul.
W. M. Brewer.	T. R. Ella.
F. M. Rattenbury.	Rev. Simmons.
S. Logan.	C. E. Stevenson.
Mrs. Logan.	G. A. Vander.
C. S. Baker.	H. Draney.
A. Lucas.	A. R. Shewman.
T. Patton.	J. McDonald.

## CONSIGNEES.

By steamer Victorian from the Sound:	
A. & W. Wilson.	J. M. Spofford.
E. J. Saunders & Co.	R. P. Rithet & Co.
Jos. Saunders.	E. R. Rithet & Co.
Corporation Vio.	E. R. Rithet & Co.
B. C. Pottery.	Weller Bros.
Sinclair & Co.	S. Lelso & Co.
Wilson Bros.	M. Marks.
H. Jackman.	
By steamer Puebla from San Francisco:	
Watson & Hall.	J. Weston.
W. J. Pendray.	J. W. Miller.
T. N. Hiltner & Co.	J. W. Miller.
E. Huland.	L. H. Toul & Son.
Colonist Co.	A. R. Johnson.
B. A. Paint Co.	A. Henderson.
Glant Powder Co.	C. E. Stevenson.
Vic. Mac. Deput.	W. T. Heddie Co.
Vic. L. Mfg. Co.	Brown & McG.
Wm. Mahel.	Central Fish M.
Weller Bros.	W. H. Toul & Son.
Wm. Hanson.	W. H. Toul & Son.
Gas Co.	A. Stewart.
Sooke Mach. Wks.	B. C. Elec. Ry. Co.
W. C. Toles.	B. Williams & Co.
W. U. Tel. Co.	C. A. McGregor Co.
Walls, Fargo & Co.	R. King.
Leinz & Leiser.	D. H. Ross & Co.
M. R. Smith & Co.	E. G. Prior & Co.
Minister Prov. Gov.	E. R. Rithet & Co.
On Hing Bros.	Erskine, W. & Co.
P. W. Dempster.	F. Carme, Jr.
R. P. Rithet & Co.	Fell & Co.
R. Baker & Sons.	C. F. Stewart.
S. J. Pitts.	Griffin & Co.
Shelcar & Co.	G. E. Munro.
Hickman Trg. Co.	Gov. Ptg. Office.
Hong Lee Ling.	J. G. Hay.
H. Clark.	H. H. Cookson.
J. Robertson & Co.	H. W. Co.

## THE OPINION OF WOMEN.

Women who have tested the merits of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills return the verdict that there is no preparation in any way equal to this great discovery of Dr. A. W. Chase, America's greatest physician. This great kidney and liver cure is sold by all dealers at 25 cents a box, and has proved most effective as a remedy for many of the most distressing ailments.

## STILL ON SHORT RATIONS.

Kimberley Food Supply Still Restricted Though the Siege Was Raised Two Weeks Ago.

Kimberley, Feb. 27.—Col. Peakman, with a mounted force and a Maxim, proceeded to Barkley, where he was warmly welcomed. He left a strong guard there and proceeded to Longland, Winderton and Klip Dam. There were rumors of Boers in the neighborhood, but no demonstrations occurred. The Diamond Fields Advertiser draws pointed attention to the fact that although Kimberley was relieved two weeks ago there has been no amelioration in regard to the food supply. It is still as impossible as it was during the investment to procure a tin of condensed milk or even without a medical certificate. The inhabitants continue without many of the common articles of food, although meat rations have been increased to half a pound a day.

## MARRIED WOMEN

If you are irregular or troubled with suppression write to MRS. M. WILSON, Box 81, Bridgeburg, Ont. An cure will send you the formula that will relieve the worst case in two to five days. NO PAIN. This receipt has brought happiness to hundreds of nervous women.

## Legislature

## Seeks Light

## Members Chafe at Absence of Information as to Political Programme.

## Prorogation Deferred Without Explanation—Mr. Martin Announces His Acceptance.

Yesterday afternoon's session of the provincial legislature was quite as remarkable in several ways as any that has gone before it in this unparalleled parliamentary week. No public business was transacted—none could be without a government to be held responsible—and yet expectations were not realized in the matter of prorogation, a message from His Honor being received a few moments prior to the assembly hour, announcing a postponement of this ceremony. The house met, however, and being unable to proceed with pending legislation, divided their time between censuring the actions of the Lieutenant-Governor, and indulging in light bantering across the floor which came in a measure not unwelcome to relieve the strain and bitterness engendered during the past five eventful days. The only definite or important happening during the afternoon was the announcement by Mr. Martin during the very desultory conversation that he had accepted the task of forming a ministry, and hoped to report arrangements with reference to the formation of the cabinet on Thursday. For the rest of the sitting the proceedings were of the free-and-easy character, rules being relegated to the past days of real business, and jokes punctuating the indignation of the assembled parliamentarians.

It was a trifle past the half hour when the house (which had arranged to sit at two) came to order, and prayer was read by Rev. Percival Jones. Hon. Mr. Semlin, immediately after the formalities had been disposed of, rose to put the customary motion preliminary to adjournment—"that this house, at its rising do stand adjourned until two o'clock to-morrow."

"Yesterday, during the course of the debate," he said, "I was asked by the hon. leader of the opposition if I would at the earliest possible opportunity place the house in possession of any information of which I might become possessed with respect to the choice of ministers made by His Honor for the carrying on of the business of the country. I may say that as yet I have no further information on the subject than is in the possession of the public. It may be quite possible that some other member of the house is in a better position to inform the house on this subject, and that he will rise in his place and give the desired information before the next motion is made."

All eyes were turned toward Mr. Martin, but that gentleman was at the time particularly busy with his mail. Mr. Turner, after a pause appreciated apparently by all the members save Mr. Martin, inquired how, under the present very peculiar conditions, the public departments were being administered? Who were in charge since the late government had been relieved of duty? He held that it would be most interesting and important to know who (if any one) had been sworn in as advisers to His Honor, and in any event who had charge of the public departments.

Mr. Semlin replied to this interrogation that in accordance with established usage the gentlemen who had formed the executive of the late government continued in charge of their departments, transacting only routine business. Mr. Martin, recognizing the general desire of the house to hear from him, rose to observe that the adjournment suggested by Mr. Semlin would be quite proper. He was not in a position to throw any light on the matter of the new government as yet, and therefore hoped that the house would adjourn for another day, when the house would be fully informed as to what arrangements were being made for the carrying on of the government.

Mr. Helmecken urged that still more light was wanted. If the hon. member for Vancouver was in possession of information on the subject concerning the late government, he should be informed, he urged that he take the house into his confidence. He should "shed the light of his countenance upon the darkness of the situation."

Mr. Kellie held that the absence of definite information from the Lieutenant-Governor constituted an insult to the house, and if no further information were forthcoming, suggested that he would ask the house to endorse a resolution asking that the Lieutenant-Governor be recalled from the province. Mr. Green had a question for the Speaker. As he understood it the members of the house were in Victoria to transact the business of the country. The absence of information from His Honor as to who had been selected to form the government, why should not the house proceed with bills, the passage of which was most material for the welfare of the province. He had one in particular that he wished to have advanced as soon as possible, and if no objection intervened, he would ask that this measure—the Sandon Relief bill—be proceeded with. He moved that it be read a third time.

Mr. Prentice held that if any business could be taken up, the house should not select an isolated measure, but go through the order paper as usual. He had contended on Tuesday, and he still maintained, that if the hon. third member for Vancouver had been called upon to form a government and had not come forward, that fact to the house, his action in the premises constituted a deliberate insult to the house. If Mr. Speaker did not know of any reason why the house should not proceed with the business before it, he hoped that this would be the case.

as no legislation could be assented to by His Honor that was not duly certified by the government, with the signature of the Attorney-General, to attempt to pass any bill until there was an Attorney-General to officially endorse it would be nonsensical. Mr. Macpherson urged that it would be undignified as well as useless for the house to attempt to proceed in the face of the Lieutenant-Governor's action—he having taken the business of parliament out of the hands of the house.

Mr. Green, in view of these objections, withdrew his suggestion, also with a word or two as to the discourtesy to the Lieutenant-Governor to the house. Col. Baker held that His Honor had shown disrespect, not only to the house, but to the people. Mr. McBride requested the Speaker to govern question directly to the hon. third member for Vancouver, with respect to the published report that he (Mr. Martin) had been called upon to form a government; this had, however, been denied upon the streets. He would ask the member for Vancouver whether the information published in the Colonist, was or was not correct. The honorable gentleman had twice risen, and indicated by the manner of his statement that he was in possession of information not the general property of the house. He had no wish to embarrass the hon. gentleman, realizing how easily he was embarrassed—laughter—but he thought he might say something more for the information and satisfaction of the house and the country.

Mr. Kellie also held that if the member for Vancouver knew anything as to the Lieutenant-Governor's intentions, he "should speak now or forever hold his peace."

Mr. McPhlips, too, urged some declaration from the lips of the third member for Vancouver. In answer to these consolidated appeals for information, Mr. Martin observed that he had not earlier made a statement to the house, for the reason that all the members must be aware of the facts, having seen them in the newspaper. As he had been called upon, however, he had not the slightest objection to informing the house that His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor had called upon him to form a government, and he had accepted the responsible commission. He looked upon the speeches that had been made with respect to His Honor's course as quite unreasonable as well as ill-advised. The task of forming a new administration, by which the best interests of the country might be promoted was not one that could be disposed of in a moment, for the interests of the whole country had to be considered. As yet but little more than twenty-four hours had elapsed since His Honor had released his former advisers, and he thought that the house should have a little more patience than it was showing. His Honor had done all that he possibly could to advance the business and prosperity of the country. The rights of the people did not appear to be suffering, and under the circumstances he thought that he could reasonably appeal to the fairness and patience of the house, assuring them that he would make a further and fuller declaration at the very earliest possible moment—he hoped on Thursday.

Mr. Deane held, with some heat, that His Honor should through the Speaker, if in no other way, have communicated to the house what he was doing. His actions appeared to the member for North Yale to be "out of doors." And the members were treated "like a lot of school boys not knowing what school would let out."

Mr. Martin answered this attack by denying that there had been anything unusual in the course pursued. It was only possible, under British parliamentary usage, for His Honor to do as he did, and he was not customary for a premier upon being called, to be sworn in until he announced at least two members of his cabinet. The talk of the member for North Yale was not only extremely childish, but showed that gentleman to be ignorant of the British rules governing the relations of His Honor with the house.

Mr. Deane had a further complaint. At least, Mr. Martin might have said when the house first opened, that he had been called upon to form a government, and he had been spared coming to the house when prorogation was postponed. All had been instructed that the session would be brought to an end at this sitting; the Sergeant-at-Arms had been so instructed. Who were the members of the house to the house for no purpose whatever—and then the Sergeant-at-Arms had informed them that prorogation would not take place. He asked what this meant.

"It means," said Captain Irving, "that my son Willie has not yet arrived." (Laughter.) Mr. Kellie thought that having thus heard from the third member for Vancouver, no further discussion was necessary. The house had nothing further to do but to ask the Lieutenant-Governor to come down and prorogue the house. Mr. Helmecken—Aye.

Mr. Semlin pointed out that after the declaration by the third member for Vancouver, the Lieutenant-Governor was no longer to be held responsible for the situation, but the third member for Vancouver. He hoped that gentleman would not forget the homily he had read on a few days before as to the duties and responsibilities of government. Mr. Prentice, with little preliminary remark, proposed—with permission of the house—that that could be obtained—a resolution, which was seconded by Captain Irving, and read as follows: "Whereas the Lieutenant-Governor has dismissed a ministry possessing the support of a majority of the members of this house; and whereas his reasons for so doing are insufficient; and whereas His Honor has failed to surround himself by constitutional advisers up to this time; therefore, he is resolved: That in the opinion of this house the Governor-General of the Dominion should be requested to dismiss the Lieutenant-Governor as incompetent."

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## Chagrin on The Continent

## Effect of Cronje's Capitulation Not Relished at European Capitals.

Everywhere Recognized as Decisive Turn in Favor of British.

By Associated Press. Berlin, Feb. 28.—Gen. Cronje's surrender continues to interest the German press. Nearly all the papers to-day admit the importance of the event. The official Nord Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung discussing the situation says: "Its importance lies less in the number of the captured than in the revivifying of the initiative among the British Generals. The biggest military injury which it has done so far as the Boers are concerned is that hereafter and everywhere in the seats of the war the British will dictate the law to the Boers. It is impossible to estimate beforehand the depths of dejection among the Boers, but undoubtedly the depression is intense, especially among the Cape Boers. Thus far reports do not tell whether the Boer losses previous to the surrender were large. If they were, then the total injury is still greater."

Paris, Feb. 28.—The Temps in an article headed: "Honor to both combatants," appeals to Great Britain to end the war, saying: "If England, once unfortunately engaged in this struggle, could not emerge by accepting the humiliation of defeat, it appears to us she will do well and reconquer the sympathies of all nations if after having given proof of her superior strength she knows how to stop herself, and in doing so, stop the scenes of destruction and carnage in the Orange Free State."

Vienna, Feb. 27.—The Austrian press regards the capture of Gen. Cronje as the most important event of the war thus far and the first decisive British success.

Amsterdam, Feb. 27.—The evening papers generally express the opinion that Gen. Cronje's capitulation does not mean the end of the war. The Algemeene Handelsblad says: "It is a long way between Lord Roberts and Pretoria." The Courant says: "We await with confidence the further course of events."

Rome, Feb. 27.—The capitulation of Gen. Cronje produced a painful impression here. The Sanfilla says: "General Cronje attained the object desired, namely, to enable the great part of Gen. Joubert's army to reach Bloemfontein."

St. Petersburg, Feb. 28.—The newspapers here outside the rest of the Continent press in bewailing Gen. Cronje's defeat. They suggest that the best help for the Boers would be to create a diversion against Great Britain elsewhere.

THE TRAPPED ARMY. Closing Incidents of the Siege of Cronje's Last Position.

Paarlburg, Feb. 26 (delayed in transmission).—On the eighth day of Cronje's resistance, the British General, Lord Roberts, worked up the river bed within two hundred yards of the Boer laager, squeezing the enemy into a more and more confined space. The stay of the British here has not been in any way due to Cronje's action, which had become absolutely necessary. Now there are daily arrivals of convoys allowing full rations to the men, which had, at best, been intermittent during the last three days. A heavy rain has caused great discomfort to the British, but greater to the Boers, and the cold winds have killed many sick animals. Last night the river rose and brought down a great number of dead Boer horses.

When the story of Lord Roberts' movement is written it will be found that the marching power and magnificent endurance of the British soldiers is as great as ever. The march itself, as seen on the map, would be nothing very marvellous, but it must be remembered that the whole original plan of march was changed when General Cronje made his magnificent night trek on the 15th. The whole army swung to the left in hot pursuit.

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suit, some of the regiments marched 27 miles in 24 hours, outstripping the transport supplies and living for days on almost quarter rations. Yet the fatigue and incessant hardships were borne with wonderful cheerfulness. There has been a drizzling rain for the last three days, the men lying fully exposed to the rain and the subsequent cold winds, all of which proved the admirable pluck and endurance of the men. Every day, owing to the enormous extent of the British lines, news is brought of some little action which had passed unnoticed in the excitement of Cronje's investment. Last Monday night a brilliant piece of work was performed by the Gloucesters. During the afternoon they approached a kopje occupied by a body of Boers. They waited until night, when 120 men charged the kopje with the bayonet and drove off the enemy with loss, bayoneting several of them. The positions taken were evacuated, however, during the night. Last night the rattle of musketry showed that the Boers had discovered our nightly rush forward in the river bed, which they have been unable to stop. Yesterday they were shelled intermittently.

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THE PLAGUE LINGERS. Three Fatal Cases Discovered at Honolulu after Twelve Clear Days.

San Francisco, Feb. 27.—The steamer Australia arrived from Honolulu to-day. The Associated Press correspondent at Honolulu, writing under date of February 20 says: "After twelve days passing without sign of the plague, three cases were discovered yesterday and all ended fatally."

PEKIN'S EXCLUSION POLICY. Government Still More Inclined to Follow Example of Foreign Devils.

Pekin, Feb. 27.—The anti-foreign attitude of the government grows more pronounced daily, and is regarded as extremely menacing to foreign enterprise. Since the last forty years, since the central government, been so intensely anti-foreign. Several Chinese have been impeached and imprisoned because they have assisted in obtaining concessions for foreigners.

OCEANIC'S FAST TRIP. Queenstown, Feb. 27.—The White Star liner Oceanic, Captain Cameron, from New York, February 21, arrived at Queenstown at 3.45 this evening. This is the vessel's fastest eastward passage, the distance from Sandy Hook to Dunt's Rock, 2344 knots, being covered in six days and 22 minutes. The previous record is thus cut down 54 minutes.

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4	11	250	369	471	541
5	17	274	402	474	550
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